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FM AMEMBASSY CAIRO
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5479
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AMEMBASSY MANILA

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DEPT PASS AGRICULTURE FOR SEC BERGLAND

FROM FOR FODAG

EO 11542: NA
TAGS: UNWFC, EAGR, ECON, EG
SUBJ: WORLD FOOD COUNCIL (WFC) THIRD SESSION

REF STATE 117059,

1. FOLLOING LETTER RECEIVED BY AMEMBASSY CAIRO ON
MAY 26.
BEGIN QTE

ARE
THE PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY
THE SPEAKER

24 MAY 1977

EXCELLENCY, AS YOU KNOW I WILL BE RETIRING FROM THE PRESIDENCY
OF THE WORLD FOOD COUNCIL WHEN IT MEETS FOR ITS THIRD
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MINISTERIAL SESSION IN MANILA FROM JUNE 20 TO 24. I WANT TO
SHARE WITH YOU, HOWEVER, MY DEEP CONCERN FOR THE
SUCCESS OF THAT MEETING WHICH MUST ACHIEVE MAJOR SUCCESS IF
THE COUNCIL IS TO SURVIE AS AN EFFECTIVE BODY TO SOLVE FOOD
PROBLEMS. MY CONCERN IS ACCENTUATED BY THE RESULTS OF THE
RECENT PREPARATORY MEETING IN ROM - I AM SURE THAT YOU WILL
AGREE WITH ME THAT IT DID NOT FULLY ACHIEVE RESULTS CONSISTENT

WITH ESTABLISHING A FIRM BASE FOR A HIGH LEVEL MINISTERIAL MEETING.

A MINISTERIAL BODY SHOULD, I FEEL, DEAL WITH A FEW IMPORTANT ITEMS AND SHOULD ALSO ENSURE THAT THE DECISIONS IT TAKES ARE IMPORTANT AND CAN PRODUCE ACTION. I THEREFORE HOPE THAT WHEN WE MEET IN MANILA AGREEMENT CAN BE REACHED ON THE MOST IMPORTANT ITEMS AND APPROPRIATE ISSUES ARE IDENTIFIED AND GIVEN PROMINENCE, SO THAT THE RESULTS OF THE COUNCIL'S DECISIONS WILL RECEIVE THE RESPECT THEY DESERVE. THIS IS VITAL IF THE COUNCIL IS TO HAVE THE WORLD RESPECT IT REQUIRES.

FINALLY, I FEEL THAT THE THIRD SESSION MUST HAVE A THEME WHICH WILL ATTRACT WORLD-WIDE ATTENTION. I UNDERSTAND THE PREPARATORY MEETING EXPRESSED STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE PRIMARY OBJECTIVE OF THE ERADICATION OF HUNGER AND MALNUTRITION, A TOPIC WHICH DESERVES TO BE ELEVATED TO THE HIGHEST POSITION IN OUR DELIBERATIONS. IT IS POSSIBLE TO LINK THE DELIBERATIONS ON SPECIALIZED SUBJECTS TO THIS OVERALL OBJECTIVE. THIS WILL ENHANCE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF DECISIONS ON MORE TECHNICAL PROBLEMS AND WILL HELP US DEVELOP AND ADOPT A PRACTICAL APPROACH.

THESE ARE SOME OF MY THOUGHTS AS WE APPROACH THE MANILA MEETING I THOUGHT OF SHARING WITH YOU, IN THE HOPE THEY MIGHT BE OF SOME HELP IN ASSISTING BRINGING THAT MEETING TO A SUCCESSFUL END.

YOURS SINCERELY,
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SIGNED
SAYED MAREI, SPEAKER OF THE PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY AND PRESIDENT OF THE WORLD FOOD COUNCIL

H E MR BOB BERGLUND (SIC)
SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE
END QUOTE

2. BEGIN COMMENT: IT IS ENCOURAGING TO NOTE THE SIMILARITY OF VIEWS EXPRESSED BY SPEAKER MAREI IN THE ABOVE LETTER AND THOSE OF SEC BERGLAND IN REFTEL. WE DO NOT BELIEVE MAREI'S LETTER IS A RESPONSE TO THAT OF SEC BERGLAND SINCE LATTER WAS SENT TO MIN OF AGRICULTURE ON SAME DATE AS MARIE LETTER.
END COMMENT

3. ORIGINAL OF MAREI'S LETTER BEING POUCHED TO SEC BERGLAND.
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